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COUNTRY East Germany Approved For Release 2003/08/28 : CIA-RDP80-00810A000300540003-6TOPIC Military Information from Wuensdorf-Zossen

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EVALUATION see below PLACE OBTAINED [redacted]DATE OF CONTENT 6 November to 25 December 1952DATE OBTAINED [redacted] PARED 26 January 1953REFERENCES 25X1CPAGES 6 ENCLOSURES (NO. & TYPE)

REMARKS

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1. From 21 November to 17 December 1952, there were no indications of a completed or planned transfer of offices. After mid-November, training activity was back to normal. <sup>1</sup> [redacted]
  2. From late November to mid-December, an apartment was being prepared for General V.I. Chuikov between the Hindenburg Kaserne and the Cambrai Kaserne, Wuensdorf. In the immediate vicinity of this billet, several low brick buildings were being erected which [redacted] believed were to be offices for the general's personal staff. <sup>3</sup>
  3. The following information on general and field grade officers was obtained during the period of observation:
    - a. General Anisimov (fnu) was stationed in Camp Zossen and was referred to [redacted] as chief of the entire rear services, including supply of quarters, billeting equipment etc.
    - b. General Ivanof (fnu) was stationed in Camp Zossen and was referred to [redacted] as chief of supply except for arms and ammunition. For example, he was responsible for economic offices throughout East Germany.
    - c. Lieutenant Colonel Ivanof (fnu) was stationed in Camp Zossen, had Lieutenant Colonel Bochkarev (fnu) for his deputy and was chief of the supply office in the administrative area of Brandenburg. Magdeburg was attached to this area for organizational and administrative reasons.
    - d. Colonel Toshchev (fnu), who was on the point of being transferred from Camp Zossen, was still acting as chief of a supply group which was the largest of eight supply groups. He is waiting for the arrival of his unidentified successor. His headquarters was in Land Brandenburg. A Russian woman, Nikrazova (fnu), about 25 year old, served as personnel chief of the Toshchev group.

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4. The plan for the volume of business by the supply group Toshchev, which during July, August, September 1952 was approximately 25,000,000 eastmarks, was expected to be reduced to 18,870,000 eastmarks for October, November, December, allegedly because a number of shops were no longer under Soviet administration. <sup>4</sup>

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5. On 27 November, the AAA emplacement on Kuckberg, west of Camp Zossen, was occupied by about 10 officers and 50 soldiers. The AAA emplacement had an extension of about 250 meters from north to south and about 50 meters from east to west. <sup>5</sup>
6. On 27 November, [redacted] all the bunkers except for the one at the west edge of the Camp Maybach I installation, had been blown up. Six of the blown-up bunkers were being used as makeshift quarters. About 25 troops wearing black-bordered black epaulets with signal insignia were being trained on telephone sets and were engaged in the laying of telephone lines near the camp. <sup>6</sup>

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9. On 25 December, two buildings in the south section of Camp Zossen, 1 km southeast of Zossen, east of Highway No 96, were occupied by an AAA unit of about 300 men wearing red-bordered black epaulets with artillery insignia, including about 45 troops wearing motor transport insignia. From 9 to 25 December, four emplaced AA guns which source believed belonged to the AA unit stationed in Camp Zossen were seen west of the camp. No other heavy weapons were observed. [redacted]

10. On 25 December, two buildings in the south section of Camp Zossen were occupied by a detail of about 60 troops who engaged in the production of maps.

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11. On 25 December, the central section and the north section of Camp Zossen were occupied by officers and women of the GOFG while two buildings housed two signal units who operated two radio stations. [redacted]

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12. On 25 December, a building in the north section of Camp Zossen was occupied by about 150 cadre personnel. [redacted]

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13. From 24 November to 25 December, [redacted] there was a former telephone central about 500 meters northeast of Camp Zossen near Amt 500. 25X1X  
 25X1 Amt 500 was an underground bunker, several stories deep and unusable because of subsoil water. Forty to 50 soldiers were daily seen at reconditioning work. [redacted], pumping operations were also in progress. 9

14. On 19 December, two buildings in the east section of the Cambrai Kaserne southeast of Hindenburg Kaserne, Wuensdorf, were occupied by a motor transport unit of about 500 troops wearing red-bordered black epaulets with motor transport insignia. The barracks buildings were fully lighted after nightfall. Some garages were occupied by an undetermined number of motor vehicles. 10

15. On 19 December, four buildings in the west section of the Cambrai Kaserne were occupied by an AAA unit of about 1,400 troops wearing red-bordered black epaulets with artillery insignia, including 10 percent with signal insignia. From 8 to 19 December, two emplacements of 7 x 37-mm AA guns each were determined in the installation. Another 45 x 37-mm AA guns, lined up in 3 or 4 rows and covered with tarpaulins were seen beside a building. Instruction was daily given on the guns in the two AAA emplacements. Air raid practices were also held. 11  
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 25X1C a. A schedule for cultural work [redacted] from 26 to 27 July 1952, signed by Major Kovaly (fnu), political deputy of the commanding officer [redacted] and approved by Captain Bibikov (fnu), commanding officer [redacted] on 26 July 1952.  
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17. From 2 to 26 December, AAA firing training was observed several times west of the Cambrai Kaserne. A short time before each practice, 2 van-like trucks, each towing a two-axle trailer, left the Cambrai Kaserne on the concrete road south of the installation toward the former grenade range. About 150 meters east of the Baruth-Zossen road, the trailers were uncoupled and the trucks departed toward the woods. The trailers were emplaced about 30 meters from each other with the front part of the vehicles pointing westward. Some troops were laying cables toward the woods, probably to the trucks. Some time later, the AAA firing practice started.

18. On 5 December, training on 4 x 85-mm AA guns and 2 radars was observed in the AAA emplacement west of Camp Zossen. Another small radar camouflaged by nets was about 30 meters from the emplacement. 5

19. On 5 December, the Lutz Kaserne east of Highway No 96 and north of the Panzertruppendschule was occupied by about 4,000 troops. Motor vehicles seen en route from and to the installation [redacted]

20. On 24 December, 9 T-34/85 tanks which had been reconditioned and painted were loaded at the Wuensdorf railroad station. Officers arriving aboard leave trains included 60 to 80 officers on 8 December, and 20 senior officers on 26 December. Some of officers carried baggage and went to the Hindenburg Kaserne.

21. From 13 to 26 December, reconditioning work was observed at the Lange-marck Block immediately on Zehrendorfer Strasse. On the Baruth-Zossen road west of Hindenburg Kaserne, two buildings, each for four families, were being erected.

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25X1A 4. [ ] Comment. Major General N.P. Anisimov is carried as Chief of the Rear Services of the GOFG. General S.P. Ivanov is chief of staff of the GOFG. Lieutenant Colonel Ivanov was twice reported [ ] as colonel and chief of the trade administration of the GOFG, [ ] 25X1C  
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25X1C Lieutenant Colonel Bochkarev, previously known as major, is assigned to this office as chief audit officer. According to Soviet documents, Colonel A.I. Toshchev is chief of the trade agency of the GOFG, [ ]

25X1A 5. [ ] Comment. This AAA emplacement was repeatedly confirmed.

25X1 6. [ ] Comment. [ ] occupation of Camp Maybach I was improbable. [ ]

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25X1 9. [ ] Comment. Amt 500 formerly was the telephone central of the German Army High Command. Location and description by source are correct. . The underground installation, during World War II, was kept free from subsoil water by a pumping system which had to work continually. The technical equipment of the installation, which has been under water since 1945, is fairly definitely believed to be useless.

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10.

[REDACTED] Comment. According to previous information on this transport unit and documents listed in paragraph 16, the unit is believed to be a motor transport battalion of the GOFG [REDACTED]. The document mentioned

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in paragraph 16 b of the present report in the left column contains

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[REDACTED] Comment. The following units of the 2d Gds AAA Div, are carried in the installations mentioned: 1 light regiment and 1 medium regiment, whose batteries are employed at AAA emplacements around Wuensdorf-Zossen, in the Cambrai Kaserne; the headquarters, 1 medium and 1 light regiment, in the Eisenbahnpionier Kaserne in Kummersdorf. However, the number of 52 x 37-mm AA guns [REDACTED] would be too high with this distribution of the regiments. As the guns were covered with tarpaulins, some of them may have been 20-mm AA machine guns which were removed from the trucks for the winter.

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[REDACTED] Comment. Units carried in the Lutz Kaserne include: headquarters and Soviet workers of the tank repair shop located in the northeast section of the Panzertruppendivision; units of the 2d Gds AAA Div; and elements of a motor transport unit of the GOFG and administrative offices of the GOFG. [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] Comment. [REDACTED] belong to unidentified offices or units of the GOFG. [REDACTED] in World War II, belonged to the 711th Rifle Regt of the 215th Rifle Div. The division was last identified in January 1945 in the area of the Fifth Army in East Prussia and, according to radio broadcasts in August 1945, had been transferred to the Far East, where it was again subordinate to the Fifth Army. According to the documents listed in paragraph 22, it can be assumed that the division, after World War II, was in the Transbaikal Amur MD and was subordinate to the Fifth Army which, too, had been transferred to the Far East. [REDACTED] unknown. For original documents see Annex 2.

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NOTE: The documents attached to this report have been forwarded on loan to Army, NSA and TSS.

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